strengthening of Central Drugs Standards Control Organization (CDSCO) under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, which could be given the status of Central Drugs Administration (CDA) reporting directly to Ministry of Health and Family Welfare. A proposal for implementing this recommendation of the Mashelkar Committee, including finalizing the terms of reference of the proposed CDA is under active consideration.

Amount spent on Health Scheme

2115. SHRI LALITBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount spent on health and Family Welfare by States, Union Territories and the Central Government from 2000-01 to 2004-05 and its percentage of the respective budgets of those States, Union Territories and the Central Government;

(b) the Centrally sponsored schemes and central schemes in force for States, N.G.Os and individual;

(c) whether it is a fact that looking to the budgetary allocations made and the actual expenditure done, there is wide gap during last five years; and

(d) if so, what steps are being taken to remedy the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Siphoning off of medicines for CGHS dispensary

2116. SHRI DHARAM PAL SABHARWAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that medicines worth crores of rupees are siphoned off with the connivance of doctors posted at CGHS, centre, Parliament House Annexe, New Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any CBI enquiry is being conducted in this regard and the action being taken against the doctors found involved in this case; and

(d) if not, the action proposed to be taken by Government against the culprits?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) and (c) No, Sir.

(b) and (d) In view of (a) and (c) above, the questions do not arise.

Naturopathy system of treatment

†2117. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have given reorganization to Naturopathy as system of medicine;

(b) if , whether there is any plan to operate and develop it as a department under his Ministry;

(c) whether any procedure is being evolved for the registration of the doctors who are doing private practice under this system; and

(d) if so, by when it would be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) and (b) No, Sir. No reorganization of Naturopathy has been done. However, Naturopathy has been recognized by the Government of India as one of the six Indian Systems of Medicine and Homoeopathy. There is already a separate 'Department of Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy (AYUSH)' for the promotion, propagation and development of these Indian Systems of Medicine and Homoeopathy including Naturopathy.

(c) and (d) Registration of Naturopathy and Yoga practitioners is being done in States like Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu by their State Boards of Indian Medicine. Instructions have been issued to all the States to evolve a regulatory mechanism for regulating the practice of Yoga and Naturopathy.